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1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR SPECIAL APRIL MEETING ILZSG WITH A.J. MCGOLDRICK, FIRST ASSISTANT SECRETARY, COMMODITY POLICY DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS TRADE, WHO USUALLY REPRESENTS GOA AT ILZSG MEETINGS. MCGOLDRICK SAID THAT FRENCH HAD BROACHED IDEA OF APRIL MEETING AT CONCLUSION OF LAST REGULAR MEETING. MCGOLDRICK SAYS HE TOLD FRENCH AT THAT TIME THAT NEITHER GOA NOR AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY SAW NEED FOR SPECIAL MEETING.

2. MCGOLDRICK TOLD EMBOFF THAT OPINIONS OF GOA AND INDUSTRY HAD NOT CHANGED. HE SAID IN FACT THAT SHOULD MEETING TAKE PLACE ANYWAY IT WOULD PROBABLY DO SO WITHOUT GOA REPRESENTATION FROM CANBERRA AND WITH LITTLE OR NO INDUSTRY REPRESENTATION. IN A TIME OF VERY STRICT CONTROLS ON OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVANTS MCGOLDRICK

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SAID HE DID NOT THINK HE WOULD BE ABLE MAKE CONVINCING

CASE FOR NEED OF SUCH A TRIP. HE EXPRESSED BELIEF
THAT INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES WOULD
ALSO FIND IT DIFFICULT TO JUSTIFY TRAVEL.
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